

From Our Friends

THE CHILD HOUSE ASSOCIATION, LOS ANGELES, announces its second annual series of weekly classes on "Problems of Living Together, as interpreted through Individual Psychology—the science and art of relieving the human potential for co-operation." Four special group courses begin October 15th at Channing Hall, 2936 W. 8th St. The first six meetings of all four groups will be held jointly with Dr. Lydia Sicher. Thereafter each class will meet separately at the new Child House Center. They will be on:

1. The Prospective Parent, for expectant parents and those with children under two years of age. Instructors, Elizabeth Scarborough, director, and Alice Schiff, M.D. (meeting Tuesdays).

2. The Non-professional, covering general problems of living together in relation to parenthood, old age, marriage, etc. Instructor, Paul Brodsky. (meeting Thursdays).

3. Teachers and Social Workers, for field social workers, practicing teachers and graduate students, in understanding the child, his behavior patterns, etc. Instructor, Hartwell E. Scarborough, Ph.D. (meeting Mondays).

4. Psychosomatic Medicine, an advanced course for physicians, qualified psychologists, psychiatric social workers, registered nurses and medical students. Instructors, Lydia Sicher, M.D., Ph.D., Hildreth Caldwell, M.D., Camillo Servil, M.D. (meeting Wednesdays).

Open House meetings will be held at the Child House, 3855 W. 7th St. on the first Sunday of each month. The program is

October 5th, Lydia Sicher, M.D., Ph.D.: The Family Constellation as portrayed in the Old Testament.

November 2nd, Paul Brodsky: Fairy Tales—What are we reading to our children?

December 7th, Sylvan Pasternak and guest panel: The cultural pattern as reflected in Motion Pictures.

January 4th, Camillo Servil, M.D.: Crime and Punishment—"Am I Napoleon or am I a louse?"

February 1st, Hartwell E. Scarborough, Ph.D.: Abraham Lincoln—An approach to understanding great men in our history.

March 7th, Martha B. Deane and Eleanor Brooks Pasternak: Meanings in movement.

April 4th, G. Mosser Taylor, M.D.: The Surgeon Behind the Mask.

May 2nd, Elizabeth Scarborough, The movement of children in relationship to acquired handicaps.

June 6th, Lydia Sicher, M.D., Ph.D.: The face of the artist behind the pictures.

DR. LYDIA SICHER sent us the following Dedication Address which she gave at the Cornerstone Laying of Child House, Los Angeles, on August 12, 1947:

When I came to Los Angeles 7 years ago, I was the only exponent of Individual Psychology on the West Coast. I started teaching here at a time when a great part of the world was involved in war. The message that I had to give, a message of responsibility, of social consciousness, of the eternal truth that we are our brother Abel's keepers, soon found repercussion. The function of human beings as taught by Alfred Adler, their development to fullvalued members of their communities, their evolvment into individuals contributing to the welfare of the whole and building for future generations, was a subject interesting to everyone who viewed with great concern the destructive trends in individuals leading to war, to delinquency, to crime waves, to psychotic and neurotic behaviour. And the desire of some people to help remedy a situation made my work fall on fertile soil.

Alfred Adler's ideas about education—and he was one of the greatest educators of all times, and the founder of the first child guidance clinics—that education has to start in earliest childhood, at a time when the child is forming his ideas about himself and the world in which he is living, have proved themselves over the last 50 years as able to raise children healthy in spirit and social in action.

It is to the credit of the community spirit in this town that it did not take long to find students eager to follow me on the road which my teacher Alfred Adler had taught me to go.

And of students soon a group of co-workers developed, enthusiastically embracing the idea of fulfilling themselves by contributing to the common good.

In 1943 Child House was created, the first institution of its kind in the United States. Here the pre-school child was to be assisted in his development of constructive attitudes with respect to himself and the community.

That today we are here to lay the cornerstone of our New Child House is due to the great number of friends our originally small group of Individual Psychologists has made, people who understand the importance of this educational program and who are expressing their community feeling by helping us to do the work. Our work is dedicated to the prevention of social misfits and to the education of better citizens.

Our efforts have borne fruit. This House is the first step on the road which is long and stony as the path toward an ideal goal necessarily is. Many more Child Houses will have to be built all over the United States, all over the world, in order to educate many more children to grow into responsible, self-reliant and courageous adults.

And so we dedicate this House to the children of this community, helping them to develop community ideals which, eventually, in the future, will lead to the achievement of the ideal community.

With humble gratitude to Alfred Adler I embed his picture together with the documents of dedication in this cornerstone. May this House stand to see Adler's educational vision become reality here; may fullvalued individuals create a better world.

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THE NEW YORK GROUP announces their lectures, courses, and workshop. The lectures will be given at Hunter College, Room 619, 695 Park Avenue, at 8:40 P.M.:

Thursday, Nov. 13, Janet Green, Ph.D., Asya L. Kadis, and Paul Lazarsfeld, Ph.D.: "Tests and Measurement in Adlerian Psychology."

Thursday, Dec. 11, Danica Deutsch and Eleanor L. Pirk: "The Inferiority Complex." Interpretation of its implications.

Thursday, Jan. 8, Hans L. Ansbacher, Ph.D.: "Psychology of Memory."

Thursday, Feb. 19, N. E. Shoobs, M.A., and Abraham D. Zweibel, M.A.: "Personality Training through School Subjects."

Thursday, Mar. 11, W. T. James, M.A.: "Individual Psychology and Religion."

Thursday, April 8, Kurt A. Adler, M.D.: "Current Problems of Youth."

The courses of six sessions each will be given by: Danica Deutsch, on "Challenge of Motherhood" (Wednesdays, 1:30 to 3:00 P.M. beginning Nov. 19); Emery L. Gondor, on "Personality Development through Art," a course for children from five to twelve years (Saturdays, 10:00 to 12:00 Noon, 2:00 to 4:00 P.M. beginning Nov. 15); Annie R. Heinrichs, on "Your Child at Home—Guest or Participant?" (Tuesdays, 10:30 to Noon, beginning Jan. 13); Asya L. Kadis and Sophie Lazarsfeld, on "Counseling Technique in School" (every first and third Monday, 8:00 to 9:30 P.M. beginning Nov. 17); Elvira F. Kaufman, on "Mental Hygiene in Early Childhood" (date to be announced later); Sophie Lazarsfeld, on "Human Problems in Life and Fiction" (every first and third Tuesday, 8:30 to 10:00 P.M., beginning Feb. 17, 1948); Eleanor L. Pirk, on "Problems of the New-born and the Infant," (Mondays 8:00 to 9:30 P.M., beginning Jan. 19, 1948).

The following workshops will be held: For active members and professionals: "Individual Psychology Applied to Problems in Education, Medicine and Related Fields," chairman Emil Froeschels, M.D.; For teachers and laymen: "Method of Piano Study Based on Individual Psychology," chairman Leonard Deutsch; Seminar for Teachers: "Classroom Discipline through Personality Adjustment." In-service course given by N. E. Shoobs.

The Seminar on Medical Psychology will be under the chairmanship of Alexandra Adler, M.D., and will meet every first and third Monday at 8:30 P.M. at the New York Academy of Medicine, beginning January 19, 1948.

Further details can be obtained through the Individual Psychology Association of New York, 333 Central Park West, New York 25.

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ANTHONY BRUCK has been appointed Assistant Professor of Psychology at the University of Kansas City.

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DR. FELIX GRUENBERGER started and is directing the first Child Guidance Clinic in Shanghai, China, with the help of the Joint Committee. A case worker, trained in Individual Psychology, writes detailed case histories, and keeps in contact with the children, their parents and their teachers. The Child Guidance Clinic is sponsored by the Shanghai Jewish Youth Committee Center which the Joint established according to the American

pattern. At the first session of the Clinic, Dr. Gruenberger had consultations with eight children and their parents. He also gives lectures for teachers and for parents on various aspects of child guidance.

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The BULLETIN staff is happy to inform our readers that Dr. Louis Richmond and Dr. Louis Cholden have joined our editorial staff. Dr. Richmond will be our Reviewing Editor, in charge of the reviewing of books and articles which are important from the viewpoint of Individual Psychology. Dr. Cholden will be the Research Editor, initiating and coordinating the necessary scientific research of our co-workers. You will probably hear from both soon, inviting your active cooperation.